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THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1907.

TOO GOOD TO FAIL.
We shall be sure to succeed; the cause is too good a one to fail,—Dick-

#### A Campaign of Improvement.

Y. M. C. A. was fairly launched vester day afternoon, and will be pushed with vigor. Richmond is more prosperous than ever she was since her charter was the present Y. M. C. A. building was has doubled in value, and she should as a mere expression of gratitude, respond promptly to this appeal for \$200,000 to give the Y. M. C. A. a suitable home.

But apart from the sentimental que tion involved, the erection of a new a business proposition, which should commend itself as such to every thoughtful business man. The Y. M. C A. is not under obligations to Richmond the account. We are at pains from time of the city. We speak of our real and personal propery valuation. our great manufacturing con corns of our large jobbing trade, of ou the valuable property which the corpossets, for at the last must the city de ogress, for her good government, fo her institutions, and for carry ing on all her affairs, private and publi-We cannot afford to neglect them. It good business, to say nothing of good morals, to throw around them all possi ble influences for good, to aid them in do whatsoever we may to keep evil surroundings, and to that end assemble them in the evening, when they are at leisure and when temptation greatest, in an attractive building, ens of entertainment and instruction

are the best that can be devised. It may be that the Y. M. C. A. is the best means that could be devised for the salvation of the young men, but it is the best that has been devised. It is only public institution which we have for the exclusive benefit of young men and boys, and the good work which it has done is more than sufficient to com mend it to the good will and tender consideration of the public, and to command public support.

So well has this work been done that the institution has far outgrown the present building, and its work is greatly hampered by lack of room and equip But with a new building such as is contemplated, and with revenues sufcient to defray its expenses, its power for good will be enormously enhanced. and its record is a guarantee that the good results will be proportionately increased.

There are in the city of Richmond a number of rich and well-equipped social clubs, and all are prosperous and attractive. It should be our aim in erecting a new Y. M. C. A. building to make the most attractive of all resorts in the city, not only that the building may draw young men by reason of its at-tractions, but that in itself it may be an perish. expression of the interest which the representative men of this community feel in the young.

The campaign is on, and it must not fail. The campaign will in itself awaken and develop public spirit and civic righteousness, if only the leading men of the city will put their righteous energy into Richmond needs such a campaign, arouse ourselves. We need to touch elbow and work heart and soul together in a good cause. It is an opportunity from God himself, and we dare not neglect it, to confer a benefit upon the young men, but directly and specifically to promote personal godliness, which, as Mayor McCarthy so aptly pointed out, "is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.'

The campaign is on, and we DARE NOT let it fail.

#### A Sure Remedy.

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According to reports sent out from Fort Read, Okl., the negro soldlers at that post had formed a conspiracy to murder every white officer, beginning with Captain Edgar A. Macklin, against whom, it is said, many negroes at the post enertain a grudge as a result of the affair at Brownsyllie, It is further reported that a suspicion rests upon negro soldlers at Niebrara, Neb., and at three pther points.

In view of these and other similar re-

ports, following on the heels of the Brownsville incident, it will be hard to make the general public believe that the recent order assigning all negro troops to the Philippines was a matter of routine and without design. The negro soldiers are giving the War Department much anxlety, if not actual trouble, and the department would feel much relieved, no doubt, to have them all removed beyond

The subject of deportation of the negre race as a solution of the negro probler has been often discussed, but it is imprac ticable. Nor would it be just to banish sins of the bad. But it would be practition of the problem, so far as this coun try is concerned, if each and every bad regro convicted of a felony should be banished to the Philippines, or to some States. In every such case we should rid ourselves at once and forever of that par ticular bad negro, and that mode of pun ishment would be a terror to the criminal class of blacks. If they understood that upon conviction of felony they would be sent forever from the land they love be incalculable.

The idea is by no means original or new. On February 18, 1825, the General Assembly of Virginia enacted a law pro-March, any free negro or mulatto feloalously take, steal and carry away any goods or chattels to the value of \$10, o upwards, or any other thing to the value offending shall be deemed suilty of grand victed, shall be punished by stripes, sale

That statute is now out of date, but new statute in each State could legally ment or imprisonment, in the discretion of Such a statute would apply to both races and would be the means of getting rid of bad white men as well as bad negroes However, we are not prepared to recom mend it.

#### An Honest Governor.

Hurrah for Governor S. H. Elrod of South Dakota, who, in his retiring address to the Legislature, denounced in State came in possession of some \$25,000 through suit against the State of North lina during the carpetbag regime. The Governor said that the State had no right to take the money, and that the university to which it was given should not have touched it because it was the Legislature pass a bill to return the money to North Carolina. He concluded by saying that it was evident that ingenous schemers were using the State for

Precisely so. These schemers had no love for South Dakota, and did not give bonds to that State, except to carry out their own design. They could not of hemselves bring suit against North Caroand so by a bargain engaged the State of South Dakota to bring suit for them. To say the least, it was an undignified and unfriendly act on the part of a sister State, and a reproach upon South Dakota, which can only be removed by following the suggestion of the retiring Governor, and refunding the

#### The Mosaic Law.

The address of the Rev. Dr. Calisch before the City Bar Association, on the Mosiac law, as published in The Times-Dispatch of yesterday, was scholarly and inspiring. The Bible law is the foundation of all law, the warp and woof of we should have chaos and anarchy. It is the law that has been tested and proven by centuries of practice, and the whole world would be better if the laws of Moses were more rigidly observed.

administered was the lesson and the spirit of obedience which it taught. In Israel committed from time to time was the sin of disobedience. Invariably when that sin was committed the penalty was sure, and Israel was compelled to repent in sackcloth and ashes before the nation was restored to favor.

It is that spirit among the people which is the life of the law, and without which the law becomes a dead letter. The law has no inherent force. It must be sus-tained by public sentiment, or it will

#### Mr. Pollard's View.

We have received the following commu-

Editor of the The Times-Dispatch: Sir,—In regard to your editorial in this morning's paper as to the proposition made by the Virginia Passenger and Power Company to sell the city current for lighting its streets and for use at the New Pump-House, I beg to make a

To substantiate my assertion that the Passenger and Power Company will do nothing except "at the point of the bayronet," the Council will be asked to-morrow night to appropriate \$10,000. For what? To force the company to give us a fair and equitable adjustment of the damage they have done to our water and ry estimated Passenger and Power Company will do nothing except "at the point of the bayonet," the Council will be asked to-morrow night to appropriate \$10.000. For what? To force the company to give what? To force the company to give with a fair and equitable adjustment of the damage they have done to our water and gas mains by electrolysis. Professor Maury estimated several years ago that it amounted to \$117,000. The company first amounted to \$117,000. The company it amounted to \$130,000, provided we do not make them install the double overhead systomor, in other words, let them continue to ruin our pipe lines, that have cost the city over \$1,000,900.

In regard to the above, I do not wish to reflect on the gentlemen who represent the company HERE. I have a high regard for all of them, and believe they have the interest of the city at heart.

Now, just two questions:

'First—Is it wise for one of the most valuable, certainly the most necessary, asset of the city (the Water Works) is be dependent on an outside concern, that might give us lots of trouble?

Second—Suppose we abandon the Old

may divert the flow of the river from our side, and our property, worth \$200,000, will be ruined. Can we take this chance? Yours trury,

H. R. POLLARD, Jr.

In reply to Mr. Pollard's first contention, we have only to say that the Pas senger and Power Company is a responsible corporation, and can be made to live make a contract with it which is so mansimply because the company has injured our water pipes, and is not willing to pay would be about as unwise as for citizens electric lights for the same reason. The Passenger and Power Company does not for manifest reasons, and if the city hould make a contract with it for elec tric power, clearly it would be in the interest of the company to give the city would cancel the contract and erect its own plant, the very thing that the Pas senger and Power Company is trying to prevent.

Mr. Pollard's second contention see to us to have as little force as the first. Does he mean to say that we could not legally restrain the Passenger and Power Company from destroying our water out a municipal plant, how could we Suppose we should creek a plant, and the Passenger and Power Company should do as Mr. Pollard forecasts-divert the flow of water and ruin our water powerplant? And from what source would we get electric current to do our extra words of Mr. Pollard, can we take this chance? If the Passenger and Power Company is going to steal our water ower, would it be good business for the city to spend \$150,000 to erect an electric plant which would depend on this power for its life?

But this contingency in althor even s too remote to be seriously discussed. The question is whether or not it is wise for the city to go in debt to erect a municipal plant when it can purchase from the Passenger and Power Company all the current it needs as cheaply as it could make it?

Those Republican leaders who are said to be planning a "concerted" attack Mr. Roosevelt should bear in mind they are dealing with a man not afraid to face any kind of music

among Virginia Democrats I know a few level-headed men." The others, apparent-ly, are so level-headed that they never gave Hon. Morgan a chance to know them. Hon, Morgan Treat states that "oven

Asked what he thought of Alexander Asked what he thought of Alexander Berkman and Emma Goldman, Dr. Gregory Gershung, noted Russian revolutionist, replied: "Nothing." Which retort, when you come to think of it covers the situation quite deftly.

Mr. Jerome is laying plans to keep he yellow journals of New York away the yellow journals of New York awa from the Thaw trial. Doubtless the Ever ing Post expects to make a s

The per capita consumption of pis-iron this year is figured at 659 pounds. Any reader of this item who consumes his full share can probably lay claim to a probably lay claim to a probably lay claim to a

A lady from Navesink, N. J., has just completed a vain search of many thou-sands of miles for her missing husband. Some women would not recognize a hint if they were introduced to it.

New York is to have a new office building containing forty-eight stories of high life. It should be called the magazine building.

From present indications it appears that the man who predicted a very severe winter must have had his prophetic eye

All will be forgiven the President !f h self hereafter to one special message pe. day.

A Kentucky man has filed a petition for divorce which contains only ten lines. But it's a safe gamble that they weren't the sort falling in pleasant places.

Those who turned over a new leaf Jan-uary 1st are now beginning to feel around to make sure that the old one isn't too securely gummed down.

never anticipated any such spot-light ef-fects us these.

Probably the German scientist who laims to have seen smoke on the moon claims to have seen smoke on the moon ordinarily takes Scotch.

Still, the railroads should not be sur-prised if people begin referring to it as the blockhead system.

Harriman buys railroads for his leisure's beguliement, but no one knows what he really does with his money.

Revolting news is again coming from

#### Tyler-Phillips Mule Case.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,—After waiting some time to see if your Amherst correspondent had noted an unfortunate occurrence connected with the Tyler-Phillips mule case, I con that it has escaped his notice, and beg leave to call your attention to a few facts

Amherst, Va. [A copy of this letter was sent to The Times-Dispatch in December, but miscarried. This accounts for the delay in

publication.1

## Rhymes for To-Day

Wanted: A Ghost-Layer. IWe are in receipt of a circular from Prof. Matthews and confederates plead-ing with us to use the List of 300 Skim-uffed Words.

DHONETICS, I thought you were deader Than any door-nail one could find; Mescemed that was what I had read

Methought your interment oration Had lately been given by Ted. And you had won thanks from the nation As dead.

Medreamed that your no-bituary Was written, with fit epitaph; And I had begun to grow merry And laugh.

But here, by the land of the living-Nay, in it!-you leap from your sace And kick, with delight past forgiving, Your feet.

And cry: "It is I—give me welcome!
Pin clusters of roses on me!"
To US—who had watched your grim knell With glee!

Phonetics, with bitterest ire, Your coming to life I observe, But confess that I greatly admire

But ghosts no more glide down th hallways: :. Matthews, come!—haven't you Doc.

read
hat spooks, to win honor, must always
Stay dead? -H. S. H. MERELY JOKING.

Relief in the Baby's Cries.

"Why doesn't your wife sing to the baby when it crice?"
"She is crice?"
"She is crice to continue to the baby."
"Cleve-land Leader."

Potatoes Looking Up.

Bacon-I see pointoes in France are nearly outsite the price of last year. Eghert-Ah! They've probably got their eyes pen.-Youkers Statesman.

Faith and Works. Boston Girl-Do you believe in marriage? Chicago Girl-Believe in it? Gee! I practis it.-Cleveland Leader.

"I'd like to meet this man Rockefeller," de-clared the sultan of Turkey, "Sayest thou so, sire?" "I dost. I'd like to compare his as-sortment of indictments with my little collec-tion of ultimatums."—Columbus Press,

"Thought you said you were a mind reader?" said the caller. "So I am." repised the professor. "Wel, why do you he state? Wel, why do not nestate? Wel, why don't you read my mind?" "I'm searoning for it." "Youkers Statesman.

Decorating the Cakes.

Hubby—My pet you will pardon me, bearen't those griddle cakes a little burnt?
Wifey (almost in tears)—O Tom! And tried to make them so pretty for you withat pyrograph set you gave me.—Bost Transcript.

POINTS FROM PARAGRAPHERS.

K ID HERMAN'S flance is not going to de sert him because Mr. Gans is his profes slonal superior. Not when defeat men forty per cant. of the nuggets.—New York Mall.

Someone has suggested that we should have new national anthem. How about "Turn he Rascals Out?"—Louisville Courier-Jour

Now that they have abolished passes the railroads no longer have a plausible excus-for killing their passengers.—Cleveland Leader

Upon general supposition, not necessarily based upon exact statistics, there are mor-fresh people in this country than fresh eggs —Baltimore Sun.

Scratch a prophet of disaster, and find financier whose inflated stocks have slumped. New York Mall. . . . Recent returns from South Dakota and other freed-while-you-wait" points give a hard jol to the ancient contention that "marriages are nade in heaven."—New York Herald.

Skyscrapers will be no name for New York's projected onice buildings. They'll sitck so far through the sky that the clouds will look lik-part of lower Broadway on a wet day.—New York American.

COMMENT OF VIRGINIA EDITORS

From all reports the largest crop in view in Virginia just now is the crop of prospective and dates for the Democratic nomination for Governor.-Fredericksburg Star.

A Sectional Kick.

"The Jamestewn Exposition, Norfolk, Va.," is the heading of a comprehensive, well arranged and interesting "write-up" of the Jamestown Tercentennial, contamed in The World Almanac and Encyclopedia for 1907. This is another illustration of how the Jamestown Exposition Company is keeping its promise to give this side of Hampton Roads a fair deal—just another proof, if proofs were needed, that the exposition press bureau is still working hard in the interest of Norfolk.—Newport News Times-Herald.

Class Distinction. The other caders at the Virginia Military Institute have adopted resolutions condemning the insubordinate conduct-of the Third Clas-last Saturday night. It seems to have hear deciledly a chird-class performance.—Norfolk

The Other Side.

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The Savannah Morning News thinks the customs houses of the country which do not collect sufficient revenue to meet their running expenses should be abolished. Instancing the one at Annapolis, Md., whose receipts has year were \$4.60 and expenses \$917.74, and that at Tappahanneck, Va., with no receipts and expenses amounting to \$87, it says: "There is no business for such offices to transact and no good reason for their existence." Our contemporary seems to loss should be sufficient to the tending of the transact and upon the seems of the transact and the sufficient of the sufficient of the transact and the sufficient of the sufficient of the transact and the sufficient of the sufficient of

#### PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

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Bernard Shaw, asked to write a review on a postcard, replied that his charge for such a review was 100 guineas.

Herr Stgurd Deen has caused to be erected on the grave, of his father, Henrik Deen, the dramatist, a solid block of polished granite, existeen feet in height. It bears the two words, "Henrik Piseen."

Arthur Pinero's flat, looking on to Hanover Square, is said to be the most magnificent pluce of its kind in Lendon.

The Frince of Monaco is again afleat on solving the control of the Market of the currents of the upper air.

Arthur Pinero's flat, worder and the currents of the upper air.

Nathan Hawk, a veloran of the Mexican war from lowa, and the man who, in 1843, first brought East news of the California gold discoveries. Is a hale and hearty cylizen of Folsom, Cal., at 82.

Milton II. Smith, president of the Louisville and Nashville Hailroad Company, will rosign on March 2d. His advanced age is the reason assigned for the stop, he being now acventy-seven years old. He will be succeeded by Vice-President George H. Eynas.

Wylie-President George H. Eynas.

Sylve to the State Leaven York as superb extent, upon which he has spent about \$50,000, located at Portuge, N. Y., to be in care of the American Scenie and Historic Preservation Society. The property includes about 1.00 acres, and ombraces the three famous Portage Falls, as well as the canyon of the Upper Geneses River.

The Duke of Orleans has announced to his friends that he intends to organize a new expedition, starting next Spring, to penetrate at a possible along the morthesist coast of the John Leaven and the contract control of the control of the

#### People Seen in Public Places

Mr. George L. Hart, of Ronnoke, a member of the firm of Morris and Hart, expert stenographers, is here taking the report of the proceedings of the legislative committee which is looking into the book question, and is stopping at the Hotel Allen. Mr. Hart is a prominent Republican, and has served several terms in the Board of Aldermen in the Magic City. He is a most pleasant gentleman, and males, friends easily wherever he goes.

"Roanoke is booming," he said last night, "and our people are not much ex-ercised over politics at this time. They are attending to business and making money. There is one thing which has been bobbing up at recent sessions of the Lerislature, however, upon which all our heen bobbing up at recent sessions of the Legislature, however, upon which all our people are united, and that is the propo-sition to change the method of the asessment of the rolling stock of railroad companies. Roanoke is for the plan, and all we ask for is to alone in this matter, for the assessment now made and collected there means a great deal to our people."

Mr. James B. Blanks, of Petersburg, Grand Secretary of the Royal Arcanum in Virginia, was at Murphy's last night.

"Are you going to run for the Legislature next fail?" former Delegate Samuel L. Kelley was asked in one of the lobbies last night, his name having frequently been mentione das a probtble aspirant. "I think not," he replied, "but I will fell you what I am going to do. I will leave in a few days for an extended Southern trip |in the interest of the Jamestown Exposition. I will go to Tennessee and Alabama, and appear before the Legislatures in an effort to induct them to make appropriations, I suppose I shall be gone a month or six weeks."

Mr. Kelley is a very strong speaker, and, besides, he is a good mixer, and will make friends easily among the members. make friends easily among the members

Senator Aubrey E. Strode, of Amherst, investigating committee, is registered at Murphy's,

Commonwealth's Attorney C. W. Commonwealth's Attorney C. W. Rob-inson and Justice B. B. Semmes, of New-port News, came up yesterday from Chickshominy Swamp, where they had been duck-hunting. It is understood that the friends of Mr. Robinson are looking with favor upon him to succeed to the circuit bench in that district. The in-cumbent is Judge J. W. G. Blackstone, of Accomac, Mr. Robinson is regarded as a fine lawyer and a man of admirable judicial capacity.

Hon. S. Gorden Cumming, of Hampton, was here yesterday, arguing a case in the State Supreme Court. Mr. Cumming was mixing with his friends at Murphy's during the evening.

Following are the Virginians who are at Ford's: B. E. Draper, Blackstone; W. E. Andrews, South Hill; J. P. Colwell, New Castle.

Virginians at the Richmond last night were John E. Morris, Orange; H. M. White, Dillwyn; J. A. Barham, Hampton,

An Obituary Echo.

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The Richmond Times-Dispatch of Sunday abandons the "Southern Democratic Conference Movement." It rotires from the field in good order, with colors proudly flying, and salving its wounds with the ointment of gracious merriment—defeated, but not discomforted—a loser, but not come sooner or later to the movement which had been so bolily and exmestly fathered by our contemporary. The suggestion could'int stand the test of political logic, and hence naught but weakening and decay was to be its end. This being so, better have it all over as early as possible—so at least it appeared to our contemporary.

The News, out of the abundance of its heart, gives sympathy to the Times-Dispatch in what it says concerning the

patch in what it says concerning the News-Leader. Certainly the latter paper started out by backing up the Times-Dispatch. It patted its morning contemorary on the shoulders, admonished in o "go in and win," and, we thought, gave to understand that it would fight with to the finish. But no sooner was the t to the finish. But no sooner was the ogic of the position assailed, than the News-Leader, seeing how vulnerable it really was, began to weaken. The Times-Dispatch essayed to breathe the word of cheer to the News-Leader, but all in vain. cheer to the News-Leader, but all in valid, its contemporary was on the move. It has not time to tarry. Indeed the News-Leader had no sooner marched up the hill than it began to march down again—it actually hiked down the road of retreat, and with such lightning-like rapidactually liked down the road of re-at, and with such lighthing-like rapid-, that The Times-Dispatch, left all ne, had no other recourse than to and order, "Right about face"—"forard!"-"double quick!"-and thus end

it all.

Congratulations, however, are due the esteemed Times-Dispatch upon the exceeding grace and skill with which it abandoned its position. When "acknowlinedging the corn," it winks the other eye; its handsome countenance is aglow with the expression of a great relief, and while nudging us a bit facetiously in the fifth rib, proclaims in effect that the "dam thing" had troubled it so much while living, that joy instead of grief should herald its burial day. No wonder, then, that we grin with it in placid satisfaction, and heartily echo its spirit of joyous hilarity.—Lynchburg News.

#### HOME FOR INCURABLES.

Colored Man Remembers Institution in His Last Will.

In the Chancery Court yesterday the will of the late W. B. Lyons, a well known colored barber, was admitted to probate, with George W. Lowis, a colored lawyer, as administrator. The dead burber's estate was valued at \$10,000. He gave various sums to colored charitable institutions, aggregating something over \$2,000, and also the sum of \$100 to the Virginia Home for incurables. The balance of the estate goes in fee simple to his wife.

Week of Prayer.

Week of Frayer.

The Presbyterian week of prayer service, held last night at the Grace Street Presbyterian Church, was addressed by Rev. Donald McLaren, secretary of the Bible Society of Virginia. Dr. McLaren's subject was "The Christian Ministry." The Errices will be continued each night this week at the same place. To-night the Rev. Russell Cecil D. D., will speak on "Missions—Home and Foreign."

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# **AMUSEMENTS**

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with signal success the transition from comic opera to straight comedy, and her appearance last night at the Academy was in the nature of an ovation. Long before the curtain, every seat in the house had been sold, and many disap-pointed late-comers were turned back at the door.

Time has dealt gently with the fair Lillian. She was born forty-six years ago at Clinton, Iowa, but not even the most critical observer would have said Lillian. so when she made her entrance in the first act last evening, and in an exquishrst act last evening, and in an exquistie gown of pale blue, with a big black
picture hat, she was as radiant and
beautiful as of yore. Nor has the wonderful art of the fair comedienne lost
one whit of its charm, and she had to
respond to no less than eight curtain
calls after the second act.

"The Butterfit" is a charming comedy,
written along farcial lines, in which

written along farcical lines, in which Miss Russell has the title role, that of written along farcical lines, in which Miss Russell has the title role, that of "the young widow of Peter Kelligrew, who gathered up a great many millions by stealing railroads and invested a few thousands in salvation by supporting a church." The part affords the star ample scope for the display of her artistic ability, and she realizes to the fullest extent the humorous possibilities that lie therein. A cast of unusual excellence renders spiendld support.

Mr. Eugene Ormonde, favorably known here by his work, opposite Miss Percy Haswell, with the Fawcett Company, has the leading masculine role, Jasper Mailory, Handsome and gifted, with a good voice and stage voice, his work left nothing to be desired.

Mr. Fred Tyler did fine work as Augustus Tutwiler, and Mr. Fred L. Tiden, as the Earl of Dexminster, gave as polished and amusing a portrayal of a tilted foreigner as one could wish for. Mr. Roland Hill, as a Chinese servant, "did well in a small part," and Mr. John Flood as a delightful Ted Bacon. Miss Isabel Richards, in the farcical role of

well in a small part," and ? Flood as a delightful Ted Bacc Isabel Richards, in the

no small share of the applause. The production was elegantly staged, and only regret could be expressed-namely, the author could not have found a

place somewhere for a vocal selection that would have left no doubt that it was the Lillian of old we saw.

One word, in conclusion. The management had given ample notice that the curtain would be to the conclusion. curtain would be at 8 sharp. In spite of this half the holders of orchestra seats were late in arriving, and were seated during the progress of the play, so that at least a third of the first act was entirely lost to those who had heeded the notice of the management, and arrived in time. This is absolutely inexcusable, and would not be tolerated in any other town.

"Our New Minister."

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A thousand plays have lived and died since Denman Thompson and George Ryer wrote "Our New Minister." the excrusiatingly droil comedy of Hardscrabble, N. H., which will be seen at the Academy on Friday and Saturday. Two thousand plays have lived and died since the same pair wrote the "Old Homestead." The latter play is now in its twenty-first year, "Our New Minister" in its sixth, There are lessons for the theatre-more and for the play-writer in in its sixth. There are lessons for the theatre-goer and for the play-writer these facts, and it only needs a look the current passing play and then a "Our New Minister" or "The Old Home

"The Shepherd King." sculine role, Jasper Maige and gifted, with a good go volce, his work left lesired.

er did fine work as Auger Maige and Mr. Fred L. Tiden, Dexminster, gave as poling a portrayal of a dited are could wish for. Mr. a Chinese servant, "did ill part," and Mr. John lightful Ted Bacon, Missing, in the farcical role of Mr. Lording the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and Mr. Lording are they will be surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength, prominent in which there are Carl Ecklowing and the surrounded himself is remarkable for its strength.

## DR. JEFFRIES WILL CONDUCT MISSION

Widely-Known Episcopal Evangelist to Hold Series of Services.

The Rev. William M. Jeffries, D. D. of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield, Ill., will conduct a mission in St. Mark's Church, from Sunday, January 13th, to

the 20th, inclusive, Dr. Jeffries is a man of great spiritua force and is a speaker of universal force and ability. He comes to Richmond from Georgia, where he has reently conducted several wonderfully successful missions.

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The program of services is as follows.

Sundays—Holy Communion, with meditation at 8 A. M. Morning prayer and
sermon at 11 A. M. Children's service, 4

P. M. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 P. M.

8 P. M.
Week days—Holy Communion, with short meditation at 7:30 A. M. Bible reading, 4 P. M. Evening prayer and sermon, 8 P. M.
The "Bible reading" each afternoon is a marked feature of Dr. Jeffries's "missions," and has been found exceedingly beleful and instructive, espacially to

helpful and instructive, especially to Sunday-school teachers and other church

workers.
St. Mark's Church is especially fortun-St. Mark's Church is especially fortun-ate in having secured the services of Dr. Jeffries, and it is hoped that many people of Richmond will avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing one of the great and successful evangelists of the Episcopal Church.

### MR. FORD EXONERATED.

Driver of Ambulance Not Re-

Driver of Ambulance Not Responsible for Striking Man,
Mr. Roy Ford, one of the drivers of
the city ambulance, who was charged
with reckless driving and knocking down
and injuring Mr. W. L. Armstrong at
the corner of Foushes and Broad Streets
on the night of January 2d, was completely exonerated of the charge in the
Police Court yesterday morning.
Mr. Armstrong said that he had fallen
while trying to board a street car, and
the ambulance, which was passing at
the time, did not see him in time to
avoid the accident. Mr. Armstrong held
Mr. Ford blameless.

#### ANNUAL POULTRY SHOW.

Fine Chickens, Turkeys, Ducks and Other Birds on Exhibit.

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The Virginia Poultry Association will hold its annual show in this city, beginning January 22d and continuing to the 26th. The exhibit will be in the building, corner of Fifth and Broad Streets, recently occupied by Herman Schmidt, retail strocer.

In this building the association will probably have on exhibition the finest lot of poultry they have ever shown to the Virginia public. Dr. Buillington, the president of the association, announces that at the urgent request of many applicants, the entry lists will be kept open until January 15th. Mr. S. S. Stansbury will be the superintendent of the exhibits.

Mr. Blair Returns. Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Robert W. Blair has returned from Washington, D. C., where he attended the recent conference of Virginians. Mr. Blak was not present during the entire proceedings but he is of opinion that the Manchester postmastership and the Fredericksburg factional contest were among the matter-discussed. cause the food to assimilate and nour-ish the body, give keen appetite,



## AN EVENING OF FUN FOR SOLDIER BOYS

The Grays to Have Campfire and Christmas Tree on Friday Night.

The Richmond Grays, Company A. Sev. ntleth Regiment, have issued invitations to a camp-fire and Christmas tree on Friday night, January 11th, at the Regimental Armory. The camp-fire will be had in the main drill hall of the Armory at 8 o'clock sharp. Visitors

Armory at 8 o'clock sharp. Visitors are invited to walk through the camp until retreat is sounded, after which only members of the company will be allowed within the sentry lines. The campfire program, arranged in the form of amenu, is thus given:

The Campp, Mess Call; Retreat; Guard Rellef; Lights Out; Taps; The Challenge; The Alarm; The Attack; The Rally; The Viotory, "Star-Spangled Banner."

The Christmas tree will bloasom in the company quarters on the first floor, and presents therefrom will be distributed to members immediately after the campfire. The invitation committe for the drill affair consists of Lieutenant Jerry B. Brady, Sergeant Robert B. Ladd, Corporal L. Glebig and Private E. Ellwan-B. Brady, Sergeant Robert B. Ladd, Corporal L. Giebig and Private E. Ellwanger.

Mr. Lowry Away Internal Revenue Collector M. K. Lowry is in Alexandria attending the United States District Court as a witness. It is understood that Mr. Lowry also went over to Waghington to meet the Virginia Republicans who have been in session there.

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